

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re U.S. Pa	atent Application	)
Applicant:	Akira Tsuboi	) I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail
Serial No.:	09/733,674	) in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria,
Conf. No.:	2710	YA 22313-1450, on this date.
Filed:	December 8, 2000	) F-CLASS.WCM  Pebruary 2, 2005 Registration No. 37,538
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD		) Appr. February 20, 1998 Attorney for Applicant
Art Unit:	2122	)
Examiner:	Steelman, Mary J.	)
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Commissione	er for Patents	
P.O. Box 145	50	•
Alexandria, V	VA 22313-1450	

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

## Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

	As	Previously		Present				A	dditional
	Amended	Paid For		Extra		Rate			Fee
Total Claims	19	20	_ =	0	X	\$50.00	=	\$	.00
Independent Claims	6	12	=	0	X	\$200.00	=	\$	.00
Fee for Multiple Deper	ndent Claims					\$360.00	=	\$_	.00
Total Additional Fee								\$	.00
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)								\$	.00

- (X) Amendment C.
- (X) Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (in duplicate) with check in the amount of \$790.00.
- (X) Petition for Extension of Time (with check for \$450.00).
- (X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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